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Applicants : William L. Jorgenson et al.  
Filed : December 28, 2001  
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**AMENDMENT****MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed to respond to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2003, the period for reply having been extended by one month to December 13, 2003. Please reconsider the claims in the application in view of the amendments and the remarks set forth below.

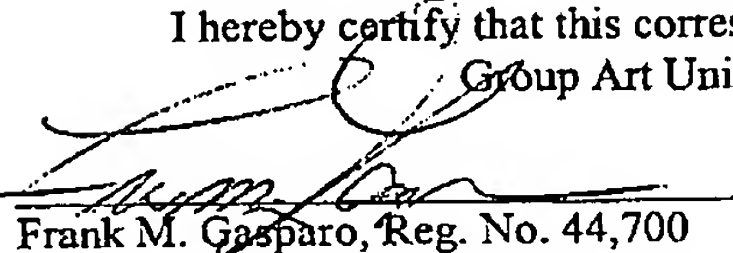
**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.

**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to Examiner James S. McClellan, Group Art Unit 3627, at the USPTO at (703) 872-9306 on the below date.

  
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